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Chairman Kevin Martin Federal Communication Commission 445 12th SW Room 8 - B201 Washington, DC 20554

Federal Communications Commission

Mr. Chairman:

I am writing you today as a representative for our Chamber. The Internet plays an integral role ideveryone's life, at home, school, church and especially the work place but not everyone in our state or the nation for that matter has access to broadband. Because of this I ask that you gram favorable consideration to a proposal submitted by M2Z which would allow them to establish a nationwide free broadband Internet system.

As a Chamber office here in southern West Virginia—it is our responsibility to **encourage and** promote the development of small businesses. **The** Internet plays a tremendous roll in giving these businesses access to world markets. The idea of free access to broadband Internet could be instrumental to the success of many of these small rusinesses.

Our education system here would also benefit greatly from free broadband. The broadband connections allow schools to use the Internet as an everyday research tool in the classroom and enhance the effectiveness of existing distance learning programs by enabling vides emfergreing on the desktop. Better educated young people grow into better educated business Por our state's future.

Again I would like to ask that you give favorable consideration to M2Z's proposal on behalf of the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce.

In Fayette County, Paula DeGumba, Vice President

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